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For: MICROHOLE-FORMED STRETCHED POROUS
POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE MATERIAL AND PRODUCTION PROCESS
THEREOF, AND ABRASION WORKING PROCESS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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